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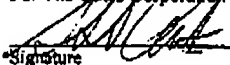
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	Date: October 19, 2004
Danny Graves, Jaroslav Purma,	)	
Jiri Kocarek, and Jaromir Lan	)	Examiner: Luu, Thanh X.
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Serial No.: 09/909,453	)	
	)	Group Art Unit: 2878
Docket No.: OOO-073A	)	
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For: OPTICAL PRECIPITATION	)	AMENDMENT C
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Via Fax: 703-872-9306  
The Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Examiner Luu:

AMENDMENT C

In response to the Office Action mailed April 19, 2004, the applicant responds as follows:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS****PETITION**

Applicants hereby petition for the necessary and sufficient extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 in which to respond to the aforementioned Office Action.

**FEES**

Any fees incurred as a result of any action herein, including but not limited to amendments and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17, are to be charged to assignee's Deposit Account No. 07-0475.

**CLAIMS**

The claims are amended as presented and as described in detail in the remarks, both *infra*.